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THE GRACIOUS INVITATION

Matt. 11:28-30

*St. H. 126*INT:

Jesus came to earth as a friend to all sin-sick and soul-burdened men and women. Needed: Rom. 3:23. Purpose of coming: Lift men out of doom and despair. His gracious invitation extended 2,000 years now. Study!

I. COME UNTO ME.

1. John 1:29 Lamb. 10:11 Shepherd 15:1 Vine.
2. John 6:33 Bread. 11:25 Resurrect. Eph. 2:20 C-stone.
3. John 8:12 Light. 14:6 Way Rev. 22:16 M-star.

II. ALL YE THAT LABOR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN.

1. Labor: KO-PIA-O. Toils of worldly life. I John 2:15-16
2. Laden: PHOR-TIZO. To load heavily. Sin. Guilt of sin.

III. I WILL GIVE YOU REST.

1. Contrast given: Overbearing Pharisees. Matt. 23:1-4.
Harmoniously working with Christ.
2. Ill. College professor, happy marriage, two children, owned home, good job and security. RESTLESS! Why?
Ans: A successful failure: Social and spiritual island
Social and intellectual hermit. Book worm
Didn't belong to anything. Not involved in any
good work for others. Introvert, selfish, alone.
Solution: In next phrase of the Gracious Invitation.

IV. TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU AND LEARN OF ME. (meek & lowly)

1. Yoke: that which couples two together in common work.
2. Ill. a. Quit doing only what you LIKE to do.
b. Start doing some things DON'T LIKE to do. Yoke
Start playing ping pong and getting beat!!
Start visiting the sick, lonely, bereaved to
console, comfort and inspire. (Living!!!)
Start to church services, eventually teach a
class, giving outings, sing at funerals etc
Conclusion: When Give yourself away Get Rest within. 29
(My Return to Religion, Henry C. Link, Pp. 29-34.)

V. FOR MY YOKE IS EASY AND MY BURDEN IS LIGHT.

1. Yoke: Sharing the load. John 3:16. Mk. 16:15-16.
2. Easy: Means "kind". Ill. Convict amplifies it well:
"It is hard to live the Good Life, BUT, it is
virtually impossible to re-build one which has been
destroyed, like mine." Murder. Life-termer.
3. Burden: Unnecessary load. Heb. 12:1-2.
4. Light: Christ, the heavy side of training yoke!

INV: YOU CAN RESPOND TO THIS INVITATION in 1 of 3 WAYS.

1. Ignore the gracious invitation.

2. Delay a decision. Ignore it for NOW anyway.

3. Accept it as the wise and happy choice.

RESTORED.

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